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Dear Beth:

We have filed the appropriate documents with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to release DLA Piper US LLP as QTL's representative in the above-identified application. A copy of the Request for Withdrawal as Attorney or Agent and Change of Correspondence Address is enclosed for your records.

In accordance with Barry Johnson's instructions of December 8, 2006, we have not responded to the Official Action. A response to the Office Action remains due on <u>January 25, 2007</u> should you change your mind regarding this application. No further extensions are possible. If you do not respond by January 25, 2007, this application will become abandoned. We again advise you to seek competent patent counsel immediately.

Sincerely yours,

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